and Bloomington in Garrett County and which is at present maintained by said County.

WHEREAS, State Highway 135 and State Highway 41 constitute a connecting link between U. S. Highway 219 and U. S. Highway 220, and

Whereas, State Highways 41 and 135 make the most direct route between Oakland, the County Seat of Garrett County, and Cumberland, the County Seat of Allegany County, effecting a saving in transit, of approximately ten miles, and

WHEREAS, State Highway 135 is a part of the most direct route, for the residents of Maryland to the State owned and controlled tracts known as Potomac State Forest, Herrington Manor, Swallow Falls and the recreational areas of Pleasant Valley and beautiful Deep Creek Lake, and

Whereas, State Highway 41 is entirely State-owned and maintained, but State Highway 135 is owned and maintained on the western end only from Lakes Service Station at the Junction of State Highway 38 to the village of Swanton, in Garrett County, and is State-owned and maintained on the eastern end from McCool, through the incorporated towns of Westernport and Luke in Allegany County on into the village of Bloomington in Garrett County, leaving the central portion of State Highway 135, which has been hard-surfaced by Garrett County, still under County maintenance, and

Whereas, The County equipment at present must be transported over twelve miles of State Highways 41 and 135 to maintain this central portion of Highway 135 which has now become a heavily travelled thoroughfare between the cities and towns of Allegany County and points east and Oakland, Morgantown, Fairmount and points west, now therefore be it

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the State Roads Commission be and it is hereby authorized and directed to take over that portion of State Highway 135 which is now maintained by Garrett County, from the western edge of the village of Swanton to the present State-maintained portion in the village of Bloomington, and thereafter to maintain said portion of State Highway 135 as a part of the State Highways System.

Approved March 28, 1951.